



## 2008 Annual Report

**Our Mission:** PERSONAL ENERGY TRANSPORTATION (PET) INTERNATIONAL'S purpose is the promotion of PET vehicles for individuals with disabilities who have no appropriate means of mobility in poor and underdeveloped countries; to coordinate PET work sites where PETs are constructed; to assist in the dissemination of vehicles to international agencies/sponsors.

Our mission remained strong as we pursued the three main objectives. These are just some of the accomplishments for this year.

Promotion: Our Executive Director and others continue to promote the need for PET vehicles around the world. This was done in part by making presentations to local churches and organizations. In addition booths were manned at conventions of organizations such as Lions, Kiwanis and Global Health Missions Conference to spread the word of PET's availability.

Coordination of work sites: The assembly sites, Affiliates, were communicated with in various ways including on site visits such as our annual meeting held at the Affiliate in New York. We assisted the new assembly site in Sierra Leone by sending supplies and covering the cost of two US PET volunteers to go there and help set up the shop and train workers. (See pictures on page 2.) We found a new, dependable vendor for solid tires. Two new Affiliates were approved for a total of 16 around the world with more in the process of setting up shop.

Dissemination: Our Executive Director worked on a shipment request from the UN Task Force for Iraq. 150 PETs were shipped via the US military through US Aid. He also coordinated a shipping container of 79 PETs and went to Sri Lanka to help Lions Club members assemble and distribute. (See picture on page 2.) At the end of the year, we hired our first employee, Director of Operations. His main objective is to establish/coordinate distribution partners.

### Revenue

PET International, Inc. is a tax-exempt 501c3 nonprofit supported by those who believe in its mission of mobility. This support comes in the form of contributions from individuals, churches, and organizations (including arranging and providing costs for shipping containers of PETs for overseas). Businesses work with us to provide a bulk discount on off the shelf items and discounted shipping prices. Total revenue for FY July 2007 to June 2008 was \$73,449.

### Expense

Funds were used in part to provide for travel costs to conventions to connect with mission workers and other organizations that could help distribute PETs, sent 2 volunteers to Sierra Leone, and provide a start up grant to the new Affiliate in Maine. A total expense for FY July 2007 to June 2008 was \$28,947. Program expense (Affiliate grant, travel: program, presentation/booth costs, shipping, and reporting materials to tell the story and educate the public) was \$23,638 or 82%. Fundraising expense and Management & General expense (equipment, supplies, phone, and postage) was \$5,309 or 18%.



Sierra Leone shop setup and training. First production.

Distribution in Sri Lanka.

#### Board, Officers, and Staff

**Jim Wrinkle, President** Financial Planner and beef farmer.

**Larry Hills, Vice President** Retired pastor and missionary.

**Jeff Sukup, Trustee**

**Joe Svoboda, Trustee**

**Freddie Brown, Trustee**

**Don Muth, Trustee**

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**Dave Frazier, Trustee**

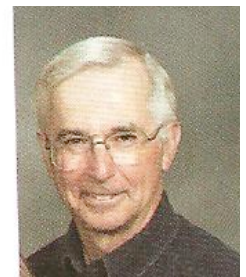
**Kirby Goering, Trustee**

**Barbara Chase, Secretary**

**Kathy Maynard, Treasurer**

**Steve Baima, Volunteer Executive Director**

Retired. Previously employed by the federal government, Washington, D.C., as an assistant biologist for the National Resources Conservation Service, then consultant in management education for farmers, and current beef farmer.



#### **Von Driggs, Director of Operations**

Von's background in serving the disabled began in 1994 when he joined Mercy Ships. Serving in a number of African countries they became aware of the needs of the physically disabled. In 2007 Von began serving in an advisory capacity with the PET International Board of Trustee. In April of 2008 the Board of Trustees asked him to work with PET in a full time capacity; he started in June.

**Advisory Council: Steve Perry, retired business man; Walt Hays, retired minister; Al Kindig, retired plant designer; and Mark Richard, Director of Operations at Hope Haven International Ministries**

Review of FY 2007/08 reported September 2008 by Tami Benus, CPA, included.

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